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Peaceful uses of nuclear energy

1. The States parties recognize the important role of the technical cooperation fund of the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) in fulfilling obligations set forth in Article IV of the Treaty. The States parties emphasize that every effort should be made to ensure that the IAEA has necessary financial and human resources to meet its responsibilities in the area of technical cooperation. The States parties express their concern on the decrease of the pledge and contribution to the technical cooperation fund, and urge the States parties that are also IAEA Members to make full and timely payments to the technical cooperation fund.

2. The States parties recognize the important role of the IAEA in assisting the development of nuclear power, as well as in assisting the applications of nuclear technology in developing countries, especially in the field of agriculture, human health and environmental protection. The States parties encourage the IAEA to further strengthen the technical cooperation in the area of nuclear power and nuclear technology applications.

Non-proliferation

1. Any concern related to nuclear proliferation should be resolved according to the procedures spelt out in relevant international legal instruments, including through dialogue and cooperation. No country should impose its own law and interests on any other country or the international community at large.